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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 U.S.A.

Sir:

Re:

New United States Patent Application

Inventor(s):

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Title:

SYSTEM AND METHOD OF OPTICAL SWITCHING

Our File:

10-498 US

Enclosed for the filing of a new patent application in the United States are:

- 1. Assignment and Assignment Cover Page;
- 2. Declaration signed by the Inventor(s);
- 3. 14 pages of specification, 20 claims, 4 being independent; Abstract of the Disclosure;
- 4. Formal drawings including figures 1 to 7c (14 pages of figures);

The following fees are payable:

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• Assignment \$40.00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No: 50-1465.

Enclosed is a self-addressed return postcard to indicate receipt of application by the USPTO.

Respectfully submitted,

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